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Mr. William Casey
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

This letter concerns the hostages still held in Lebanon.

In this matter, as was unfortunately the case with the embassy takeover in Iran, our government seems unaware of the potential value of propaganda, more properly psychological warfare, to pressure those responsible for the situation. In both instances the captors professed to be religious fundamentalists. Even a cursory knowledge of the tenets of the Muslim faith suggests obvious violations of religious precepts. The group holding Americans captive must rely on the support of people who believe they are acting out the will of God. Isn't it at least worth the effort to try to drive a wedge between the activists and their supporters? The risks to the captives seem minimal, indeed probably would be lessened.

I realize your agency may not be responsible for psychological warfare actions but it certainly has influence on national decision making. I would at least hope someone in your agency will at least consider this matter and present it for discussion. The State Department, I am afraid, lacks the imagination to pursue the matter.

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Yours truly,

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